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TAGS: TGEN, OVIP, UR, US

SUBJECT: U.S.-U.S.S.R. HOUSING AGREEMENT: JOINT COMMITTEE MEETING
(JCM); SECRETARY HARRIS' VISIT TO THE SOVIET UNION

REF: GREENBERG-RASSIAS TELCON SEPTEMBER 6

1. ON SEPTEMBER 6 TERENT'YEV OF GOSSTROY PROVIDED SCICOUNS WITH PRELIMINARY INFORMATION ON HARRIS DELEGATION'S ITINERARY IN U.S.S.R. INFORMATION WAS PROVIDED ORALLY AND SOVIETS CLAIM TO BE UNABLE TO PROVIDE MORE PRECISE WRITTEN INFORMATION UNTIL SEPTEMBER 12. FOLLOWING IS THE SCHEDULE GOSSTROY PROVIDED FOR THAT PART OF U.S. DELEGATION WHICH WILL BE TRAVELLING WITH MRS. HARRIS (GROUP A).

SEPTEMBER 18-22 MOSCOW: JOINT COMMITTEE MEETING

SEPTEMBER 22 (NORMING DEPART BY PLANE FOR TASHKENT

SEPTEMBER 23 (MORNING) DEPART BY PLANE FOR EITHER BUKHARA OR SAMARKAND

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(EVENING) RETURN TO TASHKENT

SEPTEMBER 24 (MORNING) DEPART BY PLANE FOR EITHER SAMARKAND OR BUKHARA; WHICHEVER CITY NOT VISITED PREVIOUS DAY.

(EVENING) RETURN BY PLANE TO TASHKENT

SEPTEMBER 25 (AFTERNOON) DEPART BY PLANE FOR MOSCOW

SEPTEMBER 26 (EVENING) SECRETARY HARRIS LEAVES USSR. REST OF GROUP A
TRAVELS BY TRAIN TO LENINGRAD, WHERE IT IS REUNITED
WITH REMAINDER OF U.S. DELEGATION.

2. SOVIET SCHEDULE BASED ON SEPTEMBER 26 DEPARTURE
DATE, WHICH THEY CLAIM WAS AGREED AS POSSIBLE
ALTERNATIVE DURING SECRETARIAT MEETING IN WASHINGTON.
ON SEPTEMBER 7 EMB PASSED GOSSTROY INFORMATION, OBTAINED
DURING REF TELCON, THAT SECRETARY HARRIS PLANS TO
DEPART USSR SEPTEMBER 25 AND ASKED SOVIETS TO ADJUST
SCHEDULE ACCORDINGLY. GOSSTROY (BORUNOV) FIRST
REACTION WAS THAT SEPTEMBER 25 DEPARTURE WOULD NOT
ALLOW SECRETARY HARRIS TO VISIT BOTH SAMARKAND AND
BUKHARA.

3. SOVIET CLAIM THEY ARE MAKING EVERY EFFORT TO
ACCOMMODATE SECRETARY HARRIS' WISH TO FLY ONLY DURING
THE DAY. THEY ARE RELUCTANT TO SCHEDULE OVERNIGHT
STAY IN SAMARKAND OR BUKHARA BECAUSE OF FEAR
THAT LOCAL HOTELS MAY BE INADEQUATE. WE WILL
CONTINUE TO PRESS SOVIETS FOR MORE PRECISE
ITINERARY INFORMATION, ESPECIALLY REGARDING FLIGHT
NUMBERS AND TIMES.

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4. SOVIETS PROVIDED FOLLOWING INFORMATION ABOUT
ITINERARY FOR THE PORTION OF THE US DELEGATION
WHICH WILL NOT BE TRAVELLING WITH SECRETARY HARRIS.
(GROUP B)

SEPTEMBER 18-22 MOSCOW

SEPTEMBER 22 (MORNING) DEPART BY PLANE FOR NABEREZHNYE CHELNY

SEPTEMBER 23 (AFTERNOON) RETURN BY PLANE TO MOSCOW

SEPTEMBER 23 (EVENING) DEPARTURE BY TRAIN FOR KIEV

SEPTEMBER 24 (MORNING) ARRIVE KIEV

SEPTEMBER 25 (AFTERNOON) DEPART BY PLANE FOR LENINGRAD

(SEPTEMBER 26 REST OF US DELEGATION ARRIVES IN LENINGRAD)

SEPTEMBER 29 ENTIRE US DELEGATION LEAVES USSR

5. SOVIETS ALSO PROVIDED FOLLOWING TENTATIVE PROGRAM

FOR DELEGATIONRDURING JCM IN MOSCOW.

SEPTEMBER 19

09:30 SECRETARY HARRIS MEETS WITH CHAIRMAN

NOVIKOV AT RECEPTION HALL ON LENIN HILLS

10:00 PLENARY SESSION OF JCM

12:00 LUNCH (IN GUEST HOUSE FOR THOSE MEMBERS

OF DELEGATION STAYING THERE; IN HOTEL

SOVETSKAYA FOR REMAINDER OF US DELEGATION.)

15:00-18:00 PLENARY SESSION

19:30 CHAIRMAN NOVIKOV HOSTS RECEPTION FOR

SECRETARY HARRIS

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10:00-13:00 TOUR OF KREMLIN

13:00-15:00 LUNCH (AT GUEST HOUSE AND HOTEL

SOVETSKAYA)

15:00-18:00 DELEGATION TOURS HOUSING CONSTRUC-

TION SITES AROUND MOSCOW.

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18:30 RECEPTION AT RESIDENCE OF

DEPUTY CHIEF OF MISSION, JACK F. MATLOCK

(NOTE: ON SEPTEMBER 20, WHILE MAJORITY OF DELEGATION
FOLLOWS ABOVE PROGRAM, SMALL US AND
SOVIET EDITORIAL GROUPS WILL WORK OUT ANY NECESSARY
CHANGES IN JCM DOCUMENTS)

SEPTEMBER 21

MORNING: SOVIETS ARE PLANNING TOUR OF CONSTRUCTION EXHIBIT IN MOSCOW,
PLUS POSSIBLE VISIT TO BORODINO BATTLEFIELD OR TO EITHER
TRET'YAKOV OR PUSHKIN ART MUSEUMS.

16:00 SIGNING CEREMONY FOR JCM PROTOCOL

6. GOSSTROY CLAIMED THAT IT LACKED SUFFICIENT
RESOURCES TO ORGANIZE SEPARATE PROGRAM FOR MR. HARRIS
AND MRS. SIMONS ON SEPTEMBER 19, WHEN US DELEGATION
WILL BE FULLY OCCUPIED WITH JCM MEETINGS. EMBASSY
WILL ARRANGE ESCORTED TOURIST PROGRAM FOR MR. HARRIS
AND MRS. SIMONS ON SEPTEMBER 19. GOSSTROY ASSURED
US THAT MR. HARRIS AND MRS. SIMONS WILL BE ABLE TO
ACCOMPANY DELEGATION ALL OTHER DAYS OF ITS STAY IN
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7. FIRE DAMAGE IS STILL PREVENTING EMB ACCESS TO
FILES. PLEASE INFORM US ASAP ABOUT WHICH MEMBERS
OF DELEGATION WILL BE TRAVELLING OUTSIDE OF MOSCOW
WITH SECRETARY HARRIS (GROUP A) AND WHICH WILL BE
TRAVELLING WITH GROUP B. PER REF TELCON WE ALSO NEED
ASAP ARRIVAL AND DEPARTURE SCHEDULES FOR ALL
PERSONNEL TRAVELLING TO THE USSR IN CONNECTION WITH
THE JCM, INCLUDING THOSE WHO WILL NOT BE OFFICIAL
MEMBERS OF THE US DELEGATION.

8. WE WILL ATTEMPT TO ARRANGE HOTEL ACCOMODATIONS
FOR A SECRETARY AND ANY OTHER ADDITIONAL PERSONNEL
THROUGH GOSSTROY; HOWEVER, SOVIETS HAVE INDICATED
THAT IT MAY BE DIFFICULT TO ARRANGE ADDITIONAL
HOTEL ROOMS AND WORKING SPACE. EMB WILL CONTINUE
TO PRESS GOSSTROY ON THESE MATTERS.
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